

The Word of God

PRELUDE

Two Interludes on "Hymn to Joy"

Charles Callahan

ENTRANCE HYMN

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

Hymnal 376

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SONG OF PRAISE

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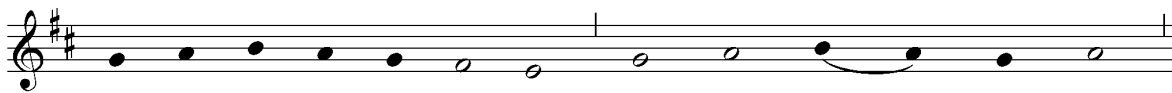
1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



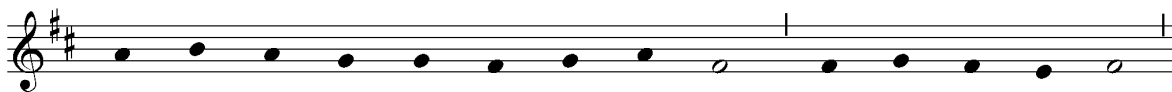
2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FIRST READING

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

A Reading from the book of Job.

¹There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

²¹One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the LORD. ²The LORD said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the LORD, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." ³The LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." ⁴Then Satan answered the LORD, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. ⁵But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." ⁶The LORD said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life."

⁷So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. ⁸Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes.

⁹Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." ¹⁰But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

¹Give judgment for me, O LORD,
for I have lived with integrity; *
I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered.
²Test me, O LORD, and try me; *
examine my heart and my mind.
³For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.
⁴I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
⁵I have hated the company of evildoers; *
I will not sit down with the wicked.
⁶I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, *
that I may go in procession round your altar,

⁷Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
⁸LORD, I love the house in which you dwell *
and the place where your glory abides.
⁹Do not sweep me away with sinners, *
nor my life with those who thirst for blood,
¹⁰Whose hands are full of evil plots, *
and their right hand full of bribes.
¹¹As for me, I will live with integrity; *
redeem me, O LORD, and have pity on me.
¹²My foot stands on level ground; *
in the full assembly I will bless the LORD.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere,

“What are human beings that you are mindful of them,
or mortals, that you care for them?

⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned them with glory and honor,
⁸subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

SEQUENCE HYMN

Commit thou all that grieves thee (stanzas 1 and 4)

Hymnal 669

GOSPEL

Mark 10:1-16

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But

Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female. ⁷For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
That we all may be one.
Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.
We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.
Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.
Give to the departed, [especially...], eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.
We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.
Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

The Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

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Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

Borning Cry

John C. Ylvisaker

Dale and Angela Tipps, soloists; Allison Blumenthal, pianist

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

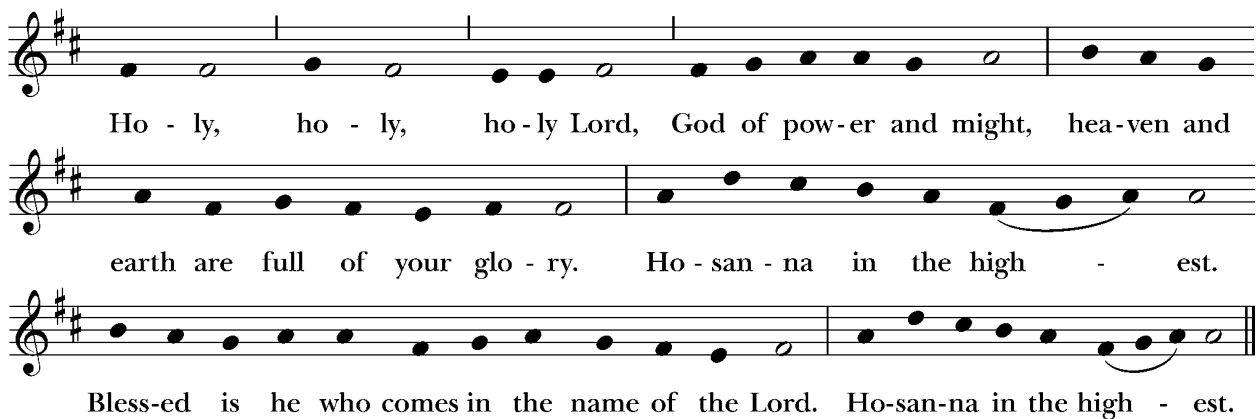
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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

[Here a proper Preface is said.]

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

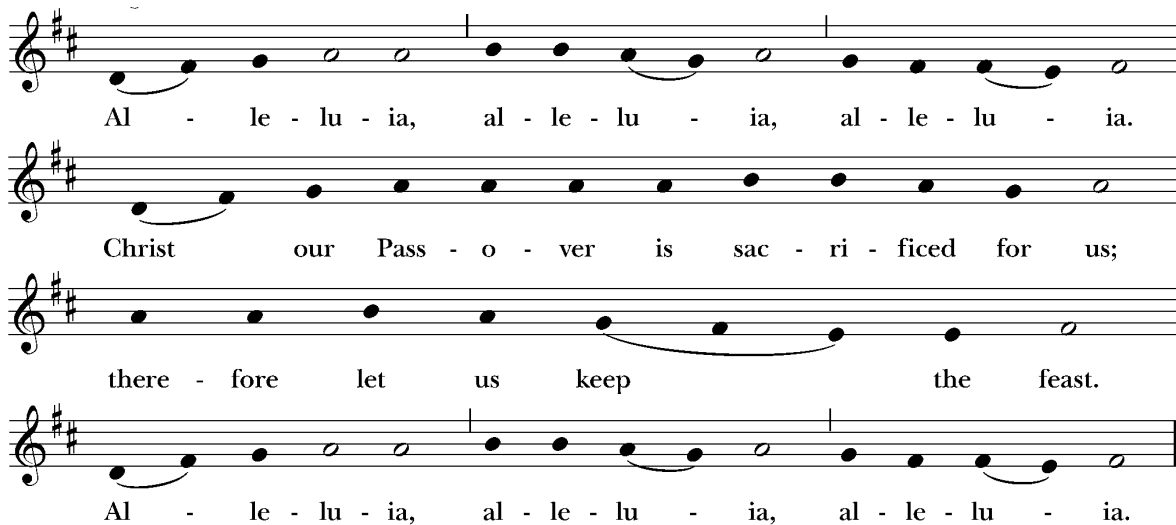
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People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**FRACTION ANTHEM**

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

COMMUNION MUSIC*My song is love unknown* (stanzas 1, 2, and 7)

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING**POST-COMMUNION HYMN***All hail the power of Jesus' Name* (stanzas 1-3)

Hymnal 450

DISMISSAL

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Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Voluntary on "Coronation"

David Schelat

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FLOWER DEDICATION

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of son Warren and father Macmillan McElwain by Jack McElwain.

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR OCTOBER 3, 2021

We remember those in need of healing and relief from pain especially:

Those with cancer: Brandy, Bill, David, Eric, Mary Catherine, Sandy, Sarah, Sheila and Will.

For those in cancer remission: Andie and Zanie.

Those healing from Surgery: Catherine Ann and Tim.

Those experiencing a mental health issue.

Those with other needs: Ann, Annie, Ashlynn, Barbara, Beth, Byron, Carney, Charlie, Chris, Claire, Dana, David, Dillon, Dylan, Gene, Jackson, James, Jane, Jerry, Kathy & Family, Lorrie, Margie, Mary, Michael, Miller, Nash Family, Robbi, Stevens Family, Trina, and Will.

Those imprisoned, especially: Abu-Ali/death row, Charles, Charlie, Chris, David, Dillon, Gregory, James, Jessie/death row, Joe, Keith, Linda, Michael/death row, Oscar/death row, Pervis/death row, Quinten, Terrance, Tiffany, Tyrone, and Walter.

Those experiencing homelessness, especially: Andrea, Carol, Cindy, Connie, Deborah, Donna, Jeri, Jessica, Kelly, Kelsey, Kimberley, Kristi, Laura, Lori, Melissa, Renada, Sharon, and Tiffany.

All veterans and those in military service and their families, especially: Benjamin, Brady, Chris, Derrick, Elaine, Evan, Kaitlin, Nathan, Patrick, Trevor, and Zach.

The Rev. Dr. Kristine Blaess, Rector
The Rev. Michael Whitnah, Associate Rector
Angela Tipps, Organist and Director of Music
Lectors: Jenny Fayter, Dan Felciano
Intercessor: Chris Brosend
Chalice Bearers: Thomas Becker, Lynn Wilson
Acolytes: John Dickey, Isaac Dickey
Technical Team: Andy Metz, Daus Studenberg
Ushers: Jenny Fayter, Donna Gunter
Altar Guild: Martha Worley, Beverly Calder, Gina Garner, Elizabeth Myers

--- CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ---

ADULTS - Sundays | 10:00 a.m.

- Parents' Group: Parish Hall Downstairs Classrooms
- Rector's Forum: Parish Hall

YOUTH - Sundays | 10:00 a.m.

- 6th and 7th grades: Sewanee Room
- 8th and 9th grades (Confirmation class): Wise Room
- 10th through 12th grades: The Hive (upstairs St. Margaret's Hall)

CHILDREN - Sundays | 10:00 a.m.

- Children age 3 through 5th grade: Catechesis rooms 1, 2, and 3

--- CONTINUED ENRICHMENT ---

Morning Prayers | Each weekday at 9:50 a.m.

Gather with your St. Paul's clergy and church family for a 15-minute scripture and prayer break. Zoom information in the Friday e-Newsletter.

Lectionary Bible Study | Wednesdays, 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Meets in the Wise Room. Meetings will be "hybrid" style (in-person and Zoom). All are invited. Contact Jerry Redditt at 615-364-8700.

Prayer Around the Altar | Wednesdays at noon

Gather in St. Andrew's Chapel.

Lectio Divina | Thursdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Gather in St. Andrew's Chapel.